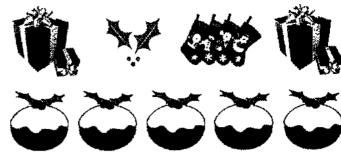
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Editors Bit (or should I say Lot!)

Ok, so here we are with edition 3 of your new style Magazine, boy I thought I would never get there with this edition. Getting contributions has proved extremely difficult and so I have held this edition back in the hope I may get more items/articles to include. I got one or two more contributions, so decided to produce a Christmas edition instead.

When I was asked to give this magazine a go, I agreed that I would simply arrange the contributions I received due to the fact that I am not all that experienced in the motor sport world and I wasn't entirely sure of what members would like to see. I knew this was going to be quite a task but I was willing to give it a go. In the first two issues I asked what people would like to be included in the magazine - to date I have only had one member respond—he asked if I could include the Retrospective - I spoke to Richard Ineson and he was willing to carry on contributing and so Restrospective is back (THANK YOU RICHARD). Interestinally, we now have 111 Trackrod Members and I have only had 2 members ask if they had been missed off the mailing list as they hadn't received a magazine for a while - This makes me wonder if anyone actually reads or cares about having a magazine! I feel like I am having to badger people into providing a small contribution and that saddens me. This is something that ALL the previous editors have experienced and has led to their inevitable resignation.

I, HOWEVER AM NOT GOING TO DO THAT - NOT YET ANYWAY!!!!

So what am I going to do!???

You will have to wait and see - I have a few ideas but I would like to ask each and every one of you to have a think over the festive period and send me a quick text or email with one or two suggestions.

This is YOUR magazine to share with fellow members your stories/experiences.

Sorry to go on but I really don't want to fall this magazine - for those of you that know me well - you know how stubborn I am!!

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Mark & Katy Sherburn are bringing back the Boxing Day Autotest, you will find the regulations included with this issue.

And of course, we have the Annual Awards Dinner—I hope to see many of you there, I do love this evening, as it's a chance to throw the Hi Vis jacket & thermals to one side and get dressed up, eat good food, drink plenty and congratulate those who receive awards.. Let's see if we can get the dancing back next year....

Please note: Change of venue for Otley club nights, they have been moved back to The Rose & Crown

Think, I've said enough now it just leaves me to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and an even merrier New Year!! (Hic Hic)

Thanks Tina

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Tina Tumbull Editor



Chairman's Chat

Firstly let me thank all those who were involved in Rally Yorkshire. Sadly due to financial restraints we were not able to run more stages on the Friday evening and thus the plans for Trackrod to run "our own" stage were cancelled. Nevertheless many Trackrod members were out either as officials or assisting other clubs in ensuring we had a safe and enjoyable weekend.

All reports have been very favourable - naturally one or two isolated issues which require some attention. Yes, there were only 12 International cars in the end but if we can satisfy over 100 competitors by running 5 events concurrently then we have probably done well!! Particularly pleasing was the Historic entry - 39 cars which shows a commitment to what we can do - 45 miles of prime Yorkshire forest - interestingly the McRae event attracted only 16 entries as part of the HRCR Championship so that tells its own story!!

The AGM went well and despite a significant leg injury our Treasurer, Richard, still managed to present the accounts and cope with the Pie and Pea supper. Many thanks to all who attended this most important formal meeting of the year.

If you are tired of hearing about the current financial "crisis" and the fact we are in a recession - read on.....

We have, in a remarkably short period of time, since Rally Yorkshire, agreed with the BTRDA that we will form part of their Championship in 2013. This is a major and welcome initiative - it now brings together 3 significant Championships to our event - the MSA British Rally Championship, the BTRDA and the brand new "Pre87&Historic" Championship which has now received a permit from the MSA. Thus we are likely to be back up to our 180 strong field of cars and our biggest problem will be finding a Service Area big enough - a nice problem to have!

It is fitting that it is also 75 years of BTRDA itself and 60 years since their championship visited Scarborough! Full details of the Press Release can be found enclosed with your magazine.

The annual "Dinner Party" has been arranged - see more details in this magazine - all welcome - dress code is everything from smart casual to Dinner Jackets/ladies evening wear. This event is really a group of friends and colleagues enjoying a good dinner together with little formality other than congratulating our award winners.

As this is your edition before the end of the year let me wish you all the very best for Christmas and the festive season - Happy Motoring and as always, please contribute to the Magazine or Newsletter in whatever way you can - I know Tina is doing an excellent job but input from our members is vital

Rod Parkin Chairman







TRACKROD ANNUAL SOCIAL

2013 Awards Dinner Party – 26th January 2012

The Awards Dinner will be held at Castle Grove in Headingley. Dinner is 7.30 pm for 8.00 pm followed by the Prize Presentation, the cost per person will be £23. As in recent year's Club will be subsidising the cost of the tickets.

As usual there are various menu options available. Because of this, each couple/person attending the dinner will be required to fill out and sign a booking form to confirm your preferred menu choice.

No bookings will be taken without the accompanying form and payment.

Please print your first name and surname clearly as this will be used for your place card.

Members wishing to attend the Dinner must post their completed forms and remittance (cheques made payable to Trackrod Motor club) to Caroline Marston (24 Pasture Close, Sherburn in Elmet, Leeds, LS25 6LJ) by 19th January 2012.

The booking form is enclosed in	this magazine	and	can	also	þe
downloaded from the website.					

Caroline

MENU

Broccoli and stilton soup

Red onion tart with tomato coulis

Traditional prawn salad

Fillet of salmon en croute with dill sauce

Roast chicken breast with Madeira sauce

Slow roasted shoulder of lamb

Crunchy chocolate torte with caramelised oranges

Bread and butter pudding

English Cheeseboard

Coffee/Tea with mints







CLUB NIGHTS

OUT WITH THE NEW AND IN WITH THE OLD

We have now had a couple of club nights at the new venue in Otley, in the hope it may encourage more people, this hasn't happened, it has been requested that we move the club night back to the Rose & Crown. PLEASE NOTE—Otley club night is now back at the ROSE & CROWN.

WHERE ARE YOU ALL??

Club night numbers are again limited but hey I say it's quality rather than quantity. Check out the dates and venues at the back of this edition, come & join in for a drink or two.

Any ideas as to how we can increase attendance are welcome, let me know.....







TROPHY POINTS

POINTS FOR WORKING PARTIES

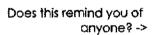
All points should now be in. They are currently being totted up and the trophy order will be going in shortly.

Hook forward to seeing you all at the Annual Awards Dinner Party wearing your best dress and dicky bows!

Tina









RETROSPECTIVE

DECADES PAST - QUARTERLY RETROSPECTIVE 10; 20; 30 & 40 Years ago

1972 - JULY

Ken Goodall/Richard Ashcroft organised a rally [1!!!!] called The Butcher's Cup I. It was won by Roger Blamey/R Drinkell after a somewhat fraught night which saw Paul adelman/Frank Stuart-Brown end up in a ditch. Rick Stevens stopped to assist and forgot to apply his handbrake! The ensuing 100yard walk revealed that the car had collided rather comprehensively with a tree -John Cleese script springs to mind I!

David Taylor reported on the Castrol BARC Hillclimb championship round at Harewood - 140 entries including 5 from Trackrod. Richard Jackson retired with mechanical malfunctions; Howard White got 3rd in class though he did have one run scrubbed because his last corner line of choice was too wide for the timing beam!! Barry Spink ended up 5th in the Hewspin Mini and David Taylor 9th. Johnny Solk wound up 5th in the marque sports car class.

1972 - AUGUST

Just got the news that we had been selected to run the Stang East Stage on the forthcoming RAC Rally - big feather in the TMC cap. Howard Wite and David Taylor put on a 50-mile economy run which was won by Dennis Dickinson's Mexico, other feather footers includedA. Woofenden; M. Cantrill; S. Hazeldine; K. Marr and R. Jackson. Secretary Lloyd reported that we were to enter the Castrol Quiz - prospective team members start swatting now! It was also announced that the Shell League had been instigated - with 5 events before the year end . The first one being an autotest at the end of this month. Team Hewspin were out sprinting at Longridge where Howard's new racing shoes slipped from brake to accelerator at a rather critical point and launched the Mini into the areenery - alas it included a fence which resulted in the need for some bodywork repairs! Stockton & DMC's Uniflow Trophy rally had 5 TMC crewsout. The best result came from Geoff Northmore/Dave Wise who finished 10th. Steve Rathbone/J.Kilchell were 11th; M.Stones/I Buchanan 19th and Andy MacKay/Mike Tempest (position undisclosed!)

The brother David & John Lee were out spectating on a recent event with Ken Goodall & Richard Ashcroft and they all ended up pushing Richard Jackson's SPY44 out of Caydale ford !!!

1972 - SEPTEMBER

19 competitors took part in our Sportonoggin which was won by Steve Lloyd. We also had a teasure hunt which Richard Jackson managed to win with a supporting cast of "thousands" apparently!!

The EGM approved the election of a Club President - Ray Dickinson was unanimously supported for the role, though there was an element that saw this as a promotion to "upstairs"

Hewspin were out sprinting at Longridge again - this time Howard managed to roll the Mini but still got a 3rd in class with an earlier timed run.

The8Shell League kicked off with an autotest at Wellesley Park Barracks but was somewhat clouded by BARC "importing" a team from the National championship - the rest cried "foul" as it was thought to be outside the spirit of the League !! (how that would change in the coming years!!) Results- well- Johnny Solk got 7th in class; david Taylor 8th and an Ineson bloke 3rd! . Dennis Dickinson shared his Mexico with Richard Jackson but alas the clutch cried too much !! -we ended up 4th O/A in the League aftertis 1st event.

Next came a sprint at Topcliffe and our team of 5 were Ken Goodall; Richard Jackson; David Taylor; Dennis Dickinson & Keith Marr - results unknown.

1982 - JULY

Hey - CONTROVERSY - JohnRenny -shell league captain, had apparently upset Richard Jackson by pointing out in his magazine report, that RJ had entered the recent Castle Howard hillclimb under the YSCC banner - shock, horror!! RJ took umbridge over membership renewal methodology and even had the matter raised at the AGM!! [don't know(perhaps I should) if he reads this - but- hello Richard, trust all is now forgiven!!).

Team Bitza were leading the Hunter's Trophy after 2 rounds from Team (Renny) Shoestring; Latimer & Bootleggers! Steve/Chris Sanderson went to witness the 24 Hour Ypres Rally and reported fully! It must have been good as several of our members have been back for mo8e - even competing!

Ron Mackinnon put on the Tip Top Stores June Jesters Auotest at the sponsors premises at Thorp Arch - a terrific event. John Westmoreland provided a running commentary for the proceedings and I must say that it provided one of the best tests that I ever did whilst autotesting. It was a tandem affair, with 2 cars performing on identical side-by-side tests, I was paired with Russ Swift and we were separated by 1/10th sec at the end!! (The last time I saw Russ, some 5 years ago, he still referred to that test as a lasting memory - terrific!!) Keith Bowen reported on his sevicing prowess for lan Gurnett/Jack Coulthard on the Scunthorpe Stages. Steve Roundhill/Rod Parkin and Dave Turnbull/Graeme Kellet were also making up the TMC entries. Accommodation was, apparently a bit of an issue and Steve/Rod managed to roll out of the event which was plagued by thunderstorms. Results of the two remaining crews were not reported!

1982 - AUGUST

Taddy Bootleggers now laed the Hunter's Trophyl 16 teams featured and now faced the task of dropping their worst score from here onl such drama!!!

Now lying 7th o/a in the Shell League after the June Jesters. The Economy Run this year was put on by John Bean and 8 crews set off from Leafield Garage, Guiseley to see who could featherfoot to be slowest and most fuel efficient - M. Robson won with 51.8 mpg from John Westmoreland on 52.94 - yes I know ,it's bonkers but these formulae can get complicated - its also to do with percentages - 137.04 is apparently much better than 121.5 !!! Do NOT ask me !!!!!!!!! Ronnie Moore was selling an ex Adrian Tate PCT Escort mk1 (offers!) and an N reg Imp (£350)

1982 SEPTEMBER

Mitchell Fox (Steve Hazeldine) were advertising trolley jacks for £21 - a steal! Still got mine! (at least I think that's where I got it!).

We were enlisted to marshall the service area on the Elcar Stages @ Dalby Fire Tower, contact Ronnie Moore .

Taddy Bootleggers still ahead in the Hunter's Trophy though the top 3 teams were now dropping scores - Shoestring 3rd but with an event in hand and one bad score!!

Editor Bean reported on the trip to the British Leyland factory at Longbridge. A bit of snooping revealed a design for a 5-door Metrol - - maybe we put the mockers on it II Anyway, it seems we all came away much the wiser on the intricacles of car manufacture - needless to say our members wouln't be replicating the practices in their own garages (maybe some would be better!!)

1992 - JULY

I relinquished the post of Chairman !!!!

Howard white was singing the praises for Chris Langan - the Cof C for the Hartlepool Autotest - a brilliant event in an ampitheatre created by urban structures - oh, yes - David haigh got beaten by a clas 1 mini -no names!

Peter Stanhope enlightened us on the Intricacies of the Doune Hillclimb - it only took the first timed run for Pewter to realise that FTD was NOT a realistic target!!!! His best time was 63.3 secs. - the class win was taken by a Westfield in 54 Sces. FTD was 42!!!!

1992 - AUGUST

Paul Scruton reported on his autotest debut at West Street Car Park in Leeds. Our own Summer Autotest proved a daunting task with Paul sharing Ronnie MacKinnon's Escort (he was away in Scotland II) with Derek Lee. Paul was eventually delighted to beat Derek on one test but his eventual 11th out of 12 and 31 from 32 o/a did little to encourage further serious outings - he did, however, enjoy himself which is, after all, the object of the exercise!!

1992- SEPTEMBER

Anne Moffat is the new Editor and seeking member support with articles etc.! (this column is indicative of member support!!!)
The recently trumpeted Treasure Hunt took place with invites extended to DeLacy and Alwoodley motor clubs. 39 miles of testing roads with a myriad of clues requiring answers saw B.Dove/R.Kemp.G.Woolin/R.Holdsworth emerge as winners from team Rutterford. Winners got 186 out of a possible 210.

J Renny advised us that our services would not be required on this year's RAC Rally as it was not visiting Yorkshire -- Make your own arrangements !!

2002 - JULY

Editor/Pr Officer/Website/ General factotum Graham Steggles was doing a great job - reporting on his many outings in the Peugeot with Emma bain.

This month it was the Pheonixtages at Fulbeck.18th o/a and 7th in class was fair reward for a frought day what with the fan wearing through the radiator for no apparent reason (maybe running a little too close or rad not securely mounted १२२) but service manager Plevey was on hand with some bodgers mate radweld !!Added to that was a bent front crossmember and somewhat deranged tracking, after cutting a corner a little too much !! The resultant drive home was "interesting".

Graham was also out on the Wakefield autotest where he won his class despite getting a washout on the first test! Simon Taylor was 2nd sharing graham's car, beating andrew Apperley by 3 secs in his cortina but he was complaining that the rear axle was falling out!! - get it fixed ,it had been doing it every time he got beat !!!)

2002 - AUGUST

Good bit of padding this month, though Peter Stanhope updated us on things Scottish and his involvement on the Scottish Rally.

Katy lee gave us a brief update on the Trophy Points situation though no scores were provided!

graham Steggles again reported on his outings - this time The Armstrong Stages Rally. 18th o/a and 7th in class - Again!!! car chewing tyres at an unfathomable rate! Probably related to Grahams continued need for more power and having to make up this deficit in the comers - did he never realise that it was an endless pursuit!!!

2002 - SEPTEMBER

Graham & Emma out again - this time the Sea King Stages at Leconfield. By his own admission a lighter attitude contributed to their enjoyment of the event-something that was apparently lacking on recent outings - 30th o/a and 8th in class. His tyre supplier advised a tad more negative camber - watch this space !!

Peter Stanhope told us about his Hungarian GP experience - very good it seemed after previous viewing at Spa; Hockenheim; and Monzal great viewing and reasonably priced!

Darren Moon selling a Peugeot 205 GTI 1.9 - yours for £4200!

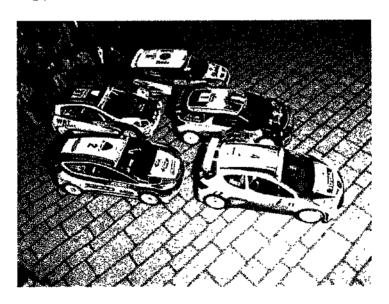
MOTORSPORT IN MINIATURE

Don't know how interesting you found the last column but feedback from one or two was very positive. So in the absence of anything negative I will continue !!!

This time I'll touch on two topics for budding collectors. - Current day rally cars and circuit racing teams.

Current rally cars is a bit of a misnomer really as a rally car seems to vary from event to event and it only takes a change in the regulations to render the whole field obsolete in the fullness of time !!!

However, we do have available a good selection of models in 1/43rd scale including Ford fiesta; Peugeot 207; Skoda Fabia; Renault Clio and Citroen DS3. These are all available from manufacturer Ixo, in the liveries of various drivers from several events - the choice is yours. Hopefully the accompanying photo will show examples of each - mainly from the Monte Carlo Rally in either IRC or WRC guises. Needless to say you need to be strong to resist the temptation to end up collecting paint of different colours on models of the same car !!!!



MOTORSPORT IN MINIATURE CONT..

Linclude the circuit racina team topic to show another motorsport discipline besides rallying ! In this instance it is the iconic Maranello Concessionaires Team from the 1960's. The photo depicts a selection of the cars entered by Col. Ronnie Hoare's team and driven by many famous drivers of the time - Graham Hill featured strongly but there was nearly always a British driver in the cars. The group shown is by no means comprehensive but is representative of the cars used. Models come from Revell: Bang; Best; Brumm; Art Model and solido. The transporter is by Exoto. When embarking on such a collection you do sometimes end up with more than one model of the same car - ea, the 250GTO from the 1963 TT is actually the same car as the GTO from 1964 having been re-bodied in the latest style (I did tell you that all this is a bit nerdy and suits anorak people!!!). Finally - if you aren't asleep yet, you could forget all this car stuff and opt for the birds 'n bikes as in the 3rd photo!!!!!

Richard Ineson

Upcoming features will include: Mk1 Escorts; Mk2 Escorts; Minis; Racing teams various; F1 Championship winning cars; Le Mans winners and anything else you, the reader may like to see/know about!!!

GOODWOOD FESTIVAL OF SPEED

It was two years ago when we were last invited to compete at the Goodwood Festival of Speed with the Lotus Cortina. We hoped for another invite this year as the main theme was celebrating 60 years of Lotus and it was also 60 years since the first Cortina was made. However time passed by and nothing was heard then the email arrived with the invite. I guess we were a reserve as the closing date for returning the entry form had already passed when we received ours.

The event starts on Friday and runs through until Sunday with scrutineering and signing on on the Thursday afternoon. We drove down on Thursday morning and by the time we got there the car had passed scrutineering so all I had to do was sign on. We then had a trip down to the bottom of the hill to pick up our passes followed by a chance to walk the course and make some pacenotes.

The course is cut through a wood and has a chalky surface with quite high banks. On walking the course it was apparent that it had a slimy film on it but we assumed this was because it hadn't been used for a year and would quickly be cleared after a few cars had gone through.

We were one of the first cars in the stage on Friday morning and as we expected it was very slippery and our time was 25 secs slower than our times last time. We expected to improve as the day went on and the stage cleared. How wrong could we be? Just after our first run it rained and turned the stage into a skating rink and odd showers throughout the weekend kept it that way and we never even beat our first time. It even took Andreas

The only downside of the weekend was slippery conditions resulted in Simon putting the Cortina on its roof. Going sideways round one of the hairpins the car suddenly found grip ran up the bank and tipped over at about 10 mph. At least he couldn't blame me as I was sat in Roger Clark's RAC winning Cossack Escort at the time. Another highlight was a run in Ari Vatanen's Rothman's Escort which was also put on its roof later in the weekend. Carol's high light was having her picture took with James Martin (the chef) who having kept himself to himself all weekend actually came across to see if we were OK after the role.

It really is a great weekend and I can recommend it to anyone as the quality and variety of cars is fantastic. The only problem is the number of people, it gets very busy on the hill but the rally stage is comparatively quiet.

Here's hoping we get invited again after all where else can we compete against Hannu Mikkola, RaunoAaltonen, ThierryNeuville, talk to Marcus Gronholm and Emmerson Fittipaldi!

Graham Wride

Neath Valley Stages and Rally Yorkshire

With the numbers in category one British Historic Rally Champion-ship reducing and talk of the age limit moving forward to 1986 in 2013 Simon decided that after running the Lotus Cortina for a couple of years he would buy a car to compete in the new category. After investigating what cars would be eligible a BMW 325i was chosen. After searching all the usual web sites for a road car to prepare a partially rally prepared one was found in South Wales. This had uprated suspension and all the necessary safety bits having competed on a couple of events. It still had a standard engine and gear box so it was probably good for 140mph+!

Neath Valley Stages was entered as a test event to see if it was a project worth pursuing or whether it would go straight back on Ebay.

The event had attracted Juha Kankkuen co driven by Nicky Grist and David Llewellyn with Phil Short coming out of retirement. It was differed from most events we have done as it had an indoor service area in a disused factory but untypically for Wales it was a lovely sunny day so the service crews weren't impressed.

We had done this event 2 years ago and it was very good, last year wasn't as good as all the stages where in Walters Arena with triple useage. We were promised a much better stages this year with no stages in the arena but still 3 stages all run twice. However we were to be disappointed as there had been a lot of regrading and there were a lot of very large loose stones about and it was probably one of the roughest events we had done.

Three other BMWs had entered so we had someone to compare with although most had much more power than us. Anyway off to the first stage and the first time the BMW had been driven in anger. The good points was that everything worked but also that a lot needed improving, brakes, power and handling for three. A few tips from the other BMW divers like disconnect the anti roll bars helped in the afternoon but I don't think Simon was convinced it had been a good idea.

We finished 23rd overall and 6th in class last of the BMWs reasonably pleased but with a long job list. We did get accepted into the BMW gang having towed one back to service having run out of fuel on the way. They restarted in the afternoon only for the clutch to go!

So Onto Rally Yorkshire

It was decided to do Rally Yorkshire as the second test. A new gearbox had been obtained and rebuilt with closer ratio's and road springs fitted at the back (another tip from the drivers in Wales). Some weight had been removed but still more is needed.

Noise and scrutineering no problem so it was off to Dalby for 15 miles in the dark. We were pleased to hear from people who had done the recce that the forests were quite dry after all the rain earlier in the week.

A lamp pod had been fitted which didn't do much for looks not the same as 4 Cibies on the front of an Escort. No problems, the lights really were very good and a time 20th fastest. The springs had significantly improved the handling and the gear box had made it more driveable. An encouraging start and then back to the hotel for a quick pint before bed as an early start on Saturday morning.

From the restart straight off to Gale Rigg and Cropton and 2 more great stages fast and flowing, softer tyres had improved the car again. This wasn't reflected in the time for Gale Rigg at 26th fastest but improved to 19th in Cropton. Back to service and a bacon sandwich then off to Langdale. Logging had made it boggy in parts but still another good stage and then back to Scarborough for the finish. As the only entry in the pre 87 class we had won our class and the 16th historic car. More importantly Simon was happier with the car and could see some potential.

It was a very good rally with everything working well and 4 great fast stages; even we saw 118mph flat in 5th. As a club we should be proud of it.

So that's it for the year time to find some more power improve the brakes (taking the servo off should help) fit a fibre glass bonnet and boot, plastic windows and lose some more weight by removing unwanted bits e.g. ABS and power steering. Here's hoping we have a competitive car for next year and the new age category takes off so we have some competition.

Graham Wride

Hi Nicola,

I just wanted to also let you and Chris and everybody on the organising team know that we thoroughly enjoyed our first visit to the Trackrod Rally. As first time visitors we were overwhelmed by how friendly everybody was from officials, marshals to other competitors.

We had a great day and finished 3rd in class and 16th overall which we are more than delighted with. For me, to come and actually compete on iconic stages such as Dalby, where I first stood as a spectator in the Woodward on the 1979 Lombard RAC Rally is something I will cherish for a very long time. I always knew that the roads were fast in Yorkshire, but my god!, they are just something else. We intend to return next year and look forward to competing again on one of the best events we have ever done.

A very well done to you all, it was a pleasure and a privilege to have taken part.

Best Regards

Brian Benjamin Co Driver Car 419

ILKLEY CLASSIC TRIAL

A bit late in the reporting stakes - but what the heck!!! Probably not on the radar for most of our membership but if you are an enthusiast you should take look at this annual event. Taking place in May, the event attracts entries from far and wide in an equally diverse choice of vehicles - from classic bikes to period specials with kit cars and every day cars thrown in for good measure!!

Itr has become an annual outing for our team of Ineson/Glover/Dobney/Ward - depending on holiday arrangements!! Generally we manage a really entertaining day, though domestic management might argue about the definition of "entertaining"!!!!

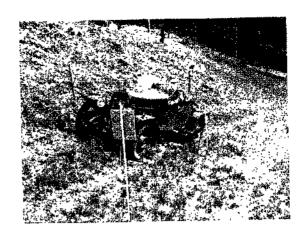
The event is basically a multi-venue PCT for classic bikes/cars/specials and some of the tests are rough to say the least! - though the competitors seem to take everything in their stride!!

Photos accompanying this piece show Messrs. Glover & Dobney comparing notes and various modes of vehicular transport from the event - The Ford Pop suffered a broken front axle as a result of an over enthusiastic attack on a test at Greenhow (it can be bleak there when it rains !!)

Look out for the event next year - marshalling gives added interest!!!

Graham Wride









BTCC - ROCKINGHAM & SILVERSTONE

I was lucky enough to receive some tickets to go and spend the day with Pirtek Racing at Rockingham for the 22nd, 23rd & 24th Rounds of the British Touring Car Championship... I had four tickets, so I took my husband & my ma & pa in law to share the day with me.. And boy what a day it was. A very early start (as with any motorsport event) which isn't good when I'd been up half the night as I was so excited I was going to get the full garage tour, be watered & fed all day in Pirtek hospitality and get to meet Andrew Jordan again.

The day was fantastic, Andrew came 2nd in the 1st race, so spirits were high in the garage. This all added to the experience.. The weather wasn't all that brill, starting off with a little drizzle, but certainly getting wetter, which led to speculation as to who was going to run on what tyres. The 2nd race was rather tricky which saw Andrew Jordan going straight on at the top corner, costing him the lead. Unfortunately, Jeff Smith (Pirtek's other driver) was caught out in the final race of the day and ended up in the wall. Thankfully he was ok but the car wasn't so lucky, questioning whether it would actually be fixed in time for the next rounds at Silverstone which was only two weeks later. On the bright side Andrew finished 4th which kept in the running for the Championship & put him 1st in the Independent Championship.

I had my photo taken with Andrew Jordan which is another little dream of mine come true (if only I was a few years younger - oh and single of course - maybe taking the husband & the in laws wasn't such a good idea after all ;)

This day certainly showed me how the other half live... I could get auite used to it.....

A couple of days later, Jonathan (my husband) told me that he had just been given two VIP tickets to the BTCC at Silverstone through work, WOW, I couldn't believe my luck. Onto Silverstone we go.......

Whilst this day was fantastic being wined & dined, living the high life, unfortunately not the best of results Andrew Jordan, crashing out in the 1st race. He did, however manage to claw his way up to ninth from the back of the grid in the 2nd race, and managing a 7th place in the final race. It was nail biting as Rob Collard (his nearest contender for the independent Championship) was having a good day and eating away at the points advantage Andrew had before this meet. Thankfully, by the end of the day Andrew was still ahead in of Rob but only just...

Today, was a day for Jonathan to glow as we managed to spy Louise Goodman, to which of course I managed to get her to have a photo with him (took some bribing tho.... Only kidding!)





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Boxing Day Autotest

Regulations are out and available at

www.trackrodmotorclub.co.uk

If you can help on the day or if you would like to enter and need more information please contact

Mark Sherburn on 07866608709 or Katy Sherburn on 07766750126.

FUTURE EVENTS - a few dates for your diary

Riponian Rally - SUN 17th FEB 2013 - we have again been asked to run Roppa, all help would be appreciated. Please contact Stage Commander Andy Turnbull (andyt@trackrodmotorclub.co.uk)

Lookout Stages - SUN 14th APRIL 2013 - I know this is a way off yet, but meeting will be starting in January with regards to the organising of this event - if anybody would like to come along and get involved on an official level, let me know - all are welcome. Also if anyone is available to help on venue repairs or on the actual event day, marshalling etc again contact me.

Tina@trackrodmotorclub.co.uk Tel 07881286843

YORKSHIRE LEAGUE FINAL RESULTS......

Beverley motor club ran the Maple Garage Beaver Road Rally which was the final round of the 2012 Yorkshire League. There was a healthy entry of 33 with 29 crews completing the event. After a very good first half, Steve Rechless and Cath Woodman in the Escort gained a healthy lead which they kept all the way to the finish, winning by over 3 minutes.

On the night Beverley won (84.0) followed by Huddersfield (50.8) and then likley (47.5).

As this was the last round it brought into effect 2 dropped scores. The biggest loser in this was Ilkley with minus 111.8 then Huddersfield minus 50.8 and North Humberside minus 38.3 points. These are shown if you click on the attachment for round 7 above. The final results for the 2012 Yorkshire League are as follows:

1. Ilkley 2. North Humberside 3. York 4. Huddersfield 5. Trackrod 6. Beverley 7 .David Brown 8. Airedale & Pennine 9. Lindholme 10. Slaithwaite 11. Selby 12. YSCC	656.1 600.7 490.3 453.4 440.9 300.4 253.8 206.4 147.5 128.8 50.0 43.3 15.0
12. YSCC 13. Sheffield	43.3 15.0
14. Alwoodley	0

llkley won by their narrowest margin in years so well done to them and North Humberside for pushing them to the last event.

Regards, Graham

Marshal Training Day

I write, as the training officer for ANCC, to ask you to place an invitation / advertisement to the Rally marshal's training day at Askham Bryan college in January in your next club publication, be it an electronic or printed edition..

The date is **Sunday 27th January 2013** and the finances have been approved.

The details are below but if you require any further information, please come back to me.

- 1) Please visit the relevant "Area Map from Google" link on the VIM web site (direct short cut for directions to the venue. http://maps.google.co.uk/maps?
 f=a&source=s a&hl=en&geocode=&a=Askham+Bryan+College,+York&a a=0&sli
- 2) Sign on is between 08:15 08:45 in the college refectory which is a short 'out in the fresh air' walk from the training classrooms .. so be prepared.
- 3) We aim to start by circa 08:55, with all attendees together before splitting into the various groups (New, In-stage, Timing, Radio & Seniors). Each group will have a short presentation by a senior Paramedic during the day which will cover basic 'First on the Scene' actions.
- 4) There will be a mid-morning break for tea, coffee & biscuits (free), with staggered lunch breaks so as to avoid everyone breaking at once.
- (If you wish to bring your own food you are free to do so.)
- 5) The morning and early afternoon will be 'classroom' based, whilst there will also be a practical session later in the day which should be classroom based.
- 6) We aim to finish by circa 15:30.

- 7) Please remember it's YOUR TRAINING and whilst we try to cover as much as possible in an as enjoyable way possible, we do rely on your questions and comment to ensure we cover your specific needs/ questions.
- 8) Lunch is available again this year, cost approximately £5-00 and includes tea or coffee, BOOKABLE in advance but to pay on the day upon arrival
- 9) Unfortunately there is no fire training on the day but if you feel you need such training, please come back to me as I'm trying to arrange a session at the Croft Race marshal's training day on 17th Feb 2013. It will be a half day affair with free coffee etc. and possibly a free lunch on arrival. All subject to numbers wanting to have the session.

If you have any queries before the Training Day, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Application form is via the link below.

http://volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk/tinc?kev=nX0K3jBh&formname=york

Alternatively if it is closer to you and your members, there is an identical training day at Stockport college on Saturday 26th January, the link to the application form is below

http://volunteersinmotorsport.co.uk/tinc? key=nX0K3j8h&formname=stockport

I look forward to a good response from your club

Regards

Bob Wright Lead Trainer

RAC - THANK YOU

Dear Colleagues,

It just keeps getting better! What a brilliant team you are!

The ninth running of this splendid event was yet another 'cracker'. The wet and soggy conditions did absolutely nothing to bring down the atmosphere buzzing around and over the event – and what an event.

The maestro of the forestry stages and the young pretender, both of them forest miles ahead of their opposition but locked in an event long ding dong battle for supremacy.

Martin McCormack's late charge on the last day saw Bannister leading by 2 seconds going into the final stage only to be beaten at the stop line by 17 seconds.

I can bear witness that at the exit to the public road from Kershope forest Martin was dancing on his Escort's roof whilst Steve remained in his car after congratulating Martin on a magnificent achievement. Sportsmanship personified.

I am sure that the thousands of spectators crammed into Gale Rigg and Duncombe Park on Saturday morning plus Croft on Saturday afternoon enjoyed the spectacle of the historic cars driven as they should be.

There is no doubting the spectator appeal of the event. The proof being the grid lock of Helmsley with spectators trying to get into Duncombe Park plus all the Course Cars reporting diving for the ditches leaving Gale Rigg due to the sheer number of full spectator cars travelling towards that stage.

These were not isolated incidents as all the stages contained lots of faces peering out of the trees or standing alongside the stage.

All of what happened during the past three days would not have been possible without all of your collective efforts.

Speaking with Colin Heppenstall on Saturday night I know he is very grateful for the hard work you all put in and the spirit in which you carry out your tasks.

Thank you to all who contributed to the success of the 2012 event and by doing so enhanced the growing reputation of this brilliant event.

Chrys Worboys – Chief Communications and Staffing Officer Joy Hewson – Deputy Communications and Staffing Officer





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Have your say!!!

So here it is this is your page.

Throughout the magazine, I have been asking questions. Email me your responses and I will share them on this page. If you have questions that you wish to ask, again I will post them on this page, which then in turn I hope other members will send in the answers.. I think you get the jist..

NOBODY HAD ANYTHING TO SAY!!!!	



Club Nights

Jan 2013
1st Old Modernians
8th Fox & Grapes
15th ROSE & CROWN
22nd Fox & Grapes
39th Admiral Hawke

Feb 2013
5th Old Modernians
12th Fox & Grapes
19th ROSE & CROWN
26th Admiral Hawke

March 2013
5th Old Modernians
12th Fox & Grapes
19th ROSE & CROWN
26th Admiral Hawke

These evenings are a chance to have a drink or two with fellow members.

Again I feel myself asking for feedback, how can we increase the numbers.

Any suggestions for new places to meet please contact any member of the committee.

Events Calendar 2012

Please contact Andy Turnbull for future events
All help is needed on a lot of events
If you require we can add you to the contact list so you will
Receive e-mails for events that are coming up

Trackrod Motor Club Trophy Points 2012

Rally Driver Points will be calculated as shown below

20 points for starting an event

+ Percentage of starters in class beaten

Rally Co-Driver Navigator As driver

Ladies Award Best Lady Competitor

Minimum of three events to be started Points calculated as Rally Driver/Co-Driver

Marshals 5 points per day (including set up and tear

down)

Service Crew 5 points per day

Trackrod Trophy Best all round Club member

Non Competitor:

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5 points per day per event marshalled/assisted

(10 points if named in regs)

Competitor 5 points for a finish, 3 points for a non-finish

Newman Trophy Best all round Lady Club member

Points awarded as Trackrod Trophy

Spy 44 Trophy Points awarded for competing in three different

disciplines

(Marshalling may be counted as one discipline)

Juniors Award Members must be under 18 at the beginning of

the year to be eligible for this award.
Points awarded as Trackrod Trophy

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TROPHY POINTS CLAIM FORM 2012

Members Name	Competitors tick [✓] appropriate boxes below and provide evidence (results)
Event Name	
Event Date	Event Type: Autotest [] Economy Run []
Organising Club: Trackrod Other	Hillclimb [] [] PCT [] [] Road Rally [] Stage Rally M/V []
Type of Claim: Driver Navigator Marshal Service Crew Organiser Working Party state position	Hillclimb [] [] PCT [] [] Road Rally [] Stage Rally M/V [] Stage Rally S/V [] [] Treasure Hunt [] [] 12-Car [] [] Other - state type [] [] []
Event Status Clubman CM [] International [] Other []	National "B" [] National "A" [] ANCC Round [] Yorkshire League Round []
RESULTS	
Your Entry No	For official use only:
Position Overall	Date Received
Position in Class	Processed by
No. in Class	Awards eligible for

ALL claims to be made within 1 month from the date of the event and must include a copy of entry is and final results sheet.